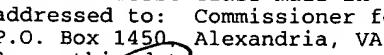


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REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING (37 CFR 1.194(b))

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby request an oral hearing of the Appeal in the above-identified application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.

Respectfully requested,

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TRANSMITTAL OF APPEAL BRIEF

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Sir:

In response to the "Notice Defective Appeal Brief" dated February 26, 2004 (as shown in PAIR), we enclose the following materials in triplicate:

1. Appellants' Brief on Appeal Under 37 CFR 1.192;
2. Appendix A;
3. Exhibits A-M; and
4. Petition for 1-month Extension of Time.

An entirely new Brief is being filed in response to the "Notice of Defective Brief" as per a discussion with the Examiner's SPE. Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional required fees of \$320.00, to deposit account No. 06-1135.

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